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SUBJECT: U.S. SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE EARL BUTZ IN HUNGARY

1. U.S. SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE EARL BUTZ IS SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE IN BUDAPEST SUNDAY FOR TWO DAYS OF TALKS WITH HUNGARIAN OFFICIALS. DURING THE COURSE OF HIS VISIT MR. BUTZ WILL MEET WITH HIS HOST DR. PAL ROMANY, MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FOOD, AND OTHER HIGH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS TO DISCUSS CURRENT AGRICULTURAL TRADE AND COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES AND TO EXPLORE POSSIBLE AREAS FOR FUTURE EXPANSION OF RELATIONS.

2. SUNDAY EVENING MR. BUTZ WILL BE GUEST OF HONOR AT A DINNER HOSTED BY MINISTER ROMANY AT THE GELLERT HOTEL.

3. ON MONDAY SECRETARY BUTZ WILL VISIT BABOLNA STATE FARM IN WESTERN HUNGARY AND THEN TRAVEL TO NEARBY NAGYIGMAND, HEADQUARTERS OF THE AMERICAN COMPANY, CORN PRODUCTION SYSTEMS (IPARSZERU KUKORICA-TERMESZTESI RENDSZER). IKR, A MEMBER FIRM OF THE HUNGARIAN-U.S. ECONOMIC COUNCIL WHICH HELD ITS FIRST JOINT SESSION IN BUDAPEST NOVEMBER 10-11, HAS AGREEMENTS WITH BABOLNA AND OTHER HUNGARIAN AGRICULTURAL ENTERPRISES FOR EXCHANGES OF EQUIPMENT AND

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TECHNOLOGY IN RETURN FOR CORN AND OTHER AGRICULTURAL

PRODUCTS.

4. RETURNING TO BUDAPEST MONDAY EVENING SECRETARY BUTZ
WILL ATTEND A RECEPTION IN HIS HONOR HOSTED BY AMERICAN
AMBASSADOR TO HUNGARY EUGENE MCAULIFFE.

5. SECRETARY BUTZ AND HIS PARTY DEPART BUDAPEST FOR
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